

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Services – Treasuries and Accounts Department – Karimnagar District – Irregular admittance and passing of Medical Advance Bills in respect of Sri P.Raji Reddy, S.A. and Sri V.Narsinga Rao, J.A. Office of the District B.C.Welfare Office, Karimnagar – Departmental action initiated against Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.) former DTO, Karimnagar – Imposition of a punishment of withholding of 10% pension permanently under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Review petition of Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.) – Review - Modification of punishment to that of withholding 5% pension for a period of one year– Orders – Issued.

FINANCE (ADMN.I.VIG.) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 4958

Dated:03 -12-2010

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.3236 Finance (Admn.I) Department, dt:01-08-2008.
2. Review petition submitted Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.), dt: 05-08-2010.
3. O.A.No.10629/2009 filed by Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.), dt:23-09-2009.
4. Govt.Memo.No.26293/423/A2/Admn.I/2009,dt:22-12-2009.
5. APAT orders dated 06-07-2010 in O.A.No.10629 of 2009 filed by Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.).
6. Representation of Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.), dt: 05-08-2010.
7. DTA Lr.No. KII (6)/16739/2008, dt. 07-08-2010.
8. Govt. Lr.No.26293/423/A2/Admn.I/2009, dt.25-09-2010 addressed to APPSC.
9. Secretary APPSC Lr.No.1454/RT-I/1/2010, dt. 02-11-2010.

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, Government have imposed a punishment of withholding of 10% of pension permanently on the Charged Officer, Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.) under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980 for admitting and passing of two Medical Advance Bills for Rs.75,000/- each in respect of Sri P.Raji Reddy, S.A. and Sri V.Narasinga Rao, J.A., O/o. District B.C. Welfare Office, Karimnagar District preferred by the District B.C. Welfare Officer, Karimnagar without sanction orders of the Head of the Department i.e. the Commissioner of Backward Classes Welfare, Hyderabad to the District Treasury, Karimnagar while he was working as District Treasury Officer, Karimnagar.

2. Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.) has requested for review of the punishment imposed on him. In his review petition he has stated that as per Rule 20(4) and 20(5) of AP Integrated Medical Attendance Rules and as per G.O.Ms.No.134, Medical and Health (K1) Department, dated 09-04-2001, the medical advances can be sanctioned to the employees for obtaining treatment at NIMS for all diseases to them or their dependents. As per the said provision under APIMA Rules and based on the scrutiny made by the concerned DDO and treasury checks made by the concerned Auditor and STO and also keeping in view the emergency for medical treatment he had admitted medical advance bills and passed for issuing DD in favour of the NIMS for which detailed bills have to be submitted within (3) months as per Rules 20(8) (b) of APIMA Rules 1972. The Dist. Treasury has admitted only medical advances bills on emergency basis for obtaining treatment at NIMS but no detailed bills were received from the Dist. B.C. Welfare Department, Karimnagar subsequently. On receipt of charge memo in respect of Sri P.Raji Reddy and Sri V.Narsing Rao, he had addressed the DDO of BC Welfare Department, Karimnagar to recover the advance and remit back to the Govt. from the above employees since they failed to submit the detailed bills. Based on his letter the DDO has recovered entire advance amount and remitted to Govt. account. The concerned employees and DDO are responsible for adjusting the advance / bills. Thus there is no fault from Treasury side and there is no intension to deviate the Rules. During pendency of these Charges, he was denied for further promotions in Finance Department, A.P. Secretariat for two categories i.e. Assistant Secretary and Dy. Secretary

on par with his juniors. Since the entire advance amount was recovered and remitted back to Govt. account and there is no loss caused to Govt. and he had no intension to deviate the Rules, he has requested to drop the further action against him.

3. While his review petition is under examination, Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.) had filed an O.A.No. 10629 of 2009. The Hon`ble APAT while disposing the said O.A. directed the **1st respondent to consider the review petition of the applicant on merits and pass appropriate orders as per rules within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of copy of the order. The OA is disposed of accordingly."**

4. Accordingly in pursuance of the orders of Hon`ble Tribunal, Government, reviewed the case of Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.) based on the material on record and points raised by him in his review petition. It is observed that the medical advance bills were admitted and passed for payment by the District Treasury, Karimnagar without checking the fact that there was sanction orders of the Head of the Department i.e. the Commissioner of Backward Classes Welfare, Hyderabad to the District Treasury, Karimnagar. However, he had addressed the DDO of BC Welfare Department, Karimnagar to recover the advance and remit back to the Govt. from the above employees and based on his letter the DDO has recovered entire advance amount and remitted to Govt. account. Thus, there is no monetary loss to the Government.

5. In the above circumstances and keeping in view the orders of Hon`ble A.P.A.T., dt:06-07-2010, Government provisionally decided to modify the punishment of withholding of 10% of Pension permanently imposed on Sri V.Babu Rao, A.O (Retd), to that of withholding 5% of pension for a period of one year as there was no monetary loss to the Government and the candidates who have taken the Medical advances remitted the amounts drawn by them to the exchequer long back and referred the matter to the Andhra Pradesh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad for their concurrence vide reference 8th read above.

6. The A.P. Public Service Commission, Hyderabad in their letter 9th read above, have concurred with the proposal of the Government for modification of punishment to that of withholding of 5% pension for a period of one year on the Charged Officer Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.).

7. Government, accordingly, hereby modify the punishment imposed on the Charged Officer, Sri V.Babu Rao, Accounts Officer (Retd.) former DTO, Karimnagar in the G.O.1st read above i.e. withholding of 10% of pension permanently to that of **withholding of 5% pension for a period of one year** considering his review petition under Rule 9 of A.P. Revised Pension Rules, 1980.

8. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Hyderabad shall take necessary further action in the matter accordingly.

9. The G.O. is available on Internet and can be accessed at the address <http://www.goir.ap.gov.in>.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FP)**

To

The individual through Director of Treasuries and Accounts, AP, Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, AP, Hyderabad.

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The Secretary, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Secretariat, Hyderabad.

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SECTION OFFICER